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SUBJ: IRANIAN DRAFT RES ON A MIDDLE EAST NUCLEAR
WEAPONS FREE ZONE

1. IRANIAN DRAFT RES ON A MIDDLE EAST NUCLEAR WEAPONS
FREE ZONE HAS BEEN GIVEN TO USUN BY IRANIAN MISOFF WITH
REQUEST FOR ANY COMMENTS WE MAY HAVE. DRAFT IS SAID TO
BE FULLY APPROVED BY EGYPT AS CO-SPONSOR AFTER SOME
DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WERE WORKED OUT.
OPERATIVE PARAS (3) AND (5) WERE INCLUDED AT EGYPTION
INSISTENCE ACCORDING TO IRANIAN MISOFF.

2. PRINCESS ASHRAF PAHLAVI IS SCHEDULED TO SPEAK IN
FIRST COMMITTEE DISARMAMENT DEBATE OCT. 25 A.M.,
EGYPTIAN REP OCT. 25 P.M. CONCEIVABLY RES WILL BE
TABLED OCT. 25 IN ITS PRESENT FORM ALTHOUGH IRANIANS
INDICATED THEY WISH TO HAVE REACTIONS OF KEY COUNTRIES
FIRST.

3. AFTER CONSULTING WITH OTHER DELS ON DRAFT RES, WE
WILL SEND RECOMMENDATIONS.

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4. TEXT OF DRAFT RES FOLLOWS:

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HAVING CONSIDERED THE QUESTION OF ESTABLISHMENT OF
NUCLEAR WEAPON FREE ZONE IN THE REGION OF THE MIDDLE EAST,

DESIRING TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE MAINTENANCE OF INTERNATIONAL
PEACE AND SECURITY BY BOLSTERING AND EXPANDING THE
EXISTING REGIONAL AND GLOBAL STRUCTURES FOR PROHIBITION
AND/OR PREVENTION OF FURTHER SPREAD OF NUCLEAR
WEAPONS,

REALIZING THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NUCLEAR WEAPON
FREE ZONES WITH AN ADEQUATE SYSTEM OF SAFEGUARDS COULD
ACCELERATE THE PROCESS TOWARDS NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT AND
THE ULTIMATE GOAL OF GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT
UNDER EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL CONTROL,

RECALLING THE MESSAGE SENT BY HIS IMPERIAL MAJESTY
THE SHAHANSHAH OF IRAN ON 16 SEPTEMBER 1974 ON THE ESTABLISH-
MENT OF A NUCLEAR WEAPON-FREE ZONE IN THE REGION OF THE MIDDLE
EAST. (DOCUMENT A/9693/ADD.3)

CONSIDERING THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONES FREE
FROM NUCLEAR WEAPONS, ON THE INITIATIVE OF THE STATES
SITUATED WITHIN EACH ZONE CONCERNED, IS ONE OF THE
MEASURES WHICH CAN CONTRIBUTE MOST EFFECTIVELY TO HALTING
THE PROLIFERATION OF THOSE INSTRUMENTS OF MASS DESTRUCTION
AND TO PROMOTING PROGRESS TOWARDS NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT,
WITH THE ULTIMATE GOAL OF TOTAL DESTRUCTION OF ALL NUCLEAR-
WEAPONS AND THE MEANS OF DELIVERY,

MINDFUL OF POLITICAL CONDITIONS PREVAILING IN THE
REGION OF THE MIDDLE EAST AND OF THE POTENTIAL DANGER
EMANATING THEREFROM, WHICH WOULD BE FURTHER AGGRAVATED BY
THE INTRODUCTION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN THE AREA.

CONSCIOUS, THEREFORE, OF THE NEED TO KEEP THE COUNTRIES OF
THE REGION FROM BECOMING INVOLVED IN A RUINOUS NUCLEAR ARMS RACE,
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RECALLING THE DECLARATION ON DENUCLEARIZATION OF
AFRICA ISSUED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT
OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY IN JULY 1964,

NOTING THAT ESTABLISHMENT OF A NUCLEAR FREE ZONE IN
THE REGION OF THE MIDDLE EAST WOULD CONTRIBUTE EFFECTIVELY TO THE
REALIZATION OF AIMS ENUNCIATED IN THE ABOVE-MENTIONED DECLARATION

ON DENUCLEARIZATION OF AFRICA,

RECALLING THE NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE COUNTRIES OF
LATIN AMERICA IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NUCLEAR FREE-ZONE
THROUGH THE TREATY OF TLATELOLCO.

ALSO RECALLING RESOLUTION B OF THE CONFERENCE OF NON-
NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES CONVENED IN GENEVA ON 29 AUGUST 1968, IN
WHICH THE CONFERENCE RECOMMENDED THAT NON-NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES
NOT COMPRISED IN THE LATIN AMERICAN NUCLEAR FREE ZONE, STUDY THE
POSSIBILITY AND DESIRABILITY OF ESTABLISHING MILITARY DENUCLEARIZATION

OF THEIR RESPECTIVE ZONES,

RECALLING THE AIMS PURSUED BY THE TREATY ON THE NON-
PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, AND IN PARTICULAR, THE GOAL OF PRE-
VENTING FURTHER SPREAD OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

RECALLING RESOLUTION 2373 (XXII) IN WHICH THE GENERAL
ASSEMBLY EXPRESSED THE HOPE FOR THE WIDEST POSSIBLE ADHERENCE TO THE
N.P.T. BY BOTH NUCLEAR-WEAPON AND NON-NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES.

1. WELCOMES THE INITIATIVE IN PROPOSING THE IDEA OF ESTABLISHING
A NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE ZONE IN THE REGION OF THE MIDDLE EAST,

2. COMMENDS THE PROPOSAL TO THE ATTENTION OF STATES IN THE REGION
OF THE MIDDLE EAST,

3. CALLS UPON THE NUCLEAR STATES, PENDING THE ESTABLISHING OF A
NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE ZONE IN THE REGION OF THE MIDDLE EAST, TO REFRAIN
FROM INTRODUCING NUCLEAR-WEAPONS IN THE AREA, OR USING NUCLEAR WEAPONS

AGAINST ANY STATE IN THE REGION,
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4. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO ASCERTAIN IN THE MANNER
HE MAY DEEM APPROPRIATE, THE VIEWS OF STATES IN THE REGION CONCERNING
THE PRACTICAL STEPS TO BE TAKEN FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A
NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE ZONE IN THE REGION OF THE MIDDLE EAST,

5. CALLS UPON ALL STATES IN THE REGION TO REFRAIN
FROM PRODUCING, ACQUIRING OR OTHERWISE POSSESSING NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

6. REQUESTS ALL STATES IN THE REGION OF THE MIDDLE EAST TO
COMMUNICATE TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THEIR
INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING IN THE PRELIMINARY CONSULTATIONS AIMED AT:-

A). DEFINING THE GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITS OF A NUCLEAR-
WEAPON-FREE ZONE,

B) OUTLINING THE SCOPE OF PROHIBITION AND

AN ADEQUATE SAFEGUARD SYSTEM.

7. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS
TO PROVIDE ALL NECESSARY ASSISTANCE TO STATES PARTICIPATING
IN SUCH PRELIMINARY CONSULTATIONS.

8. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO SUBMIT A PROGRESS
REPORT TO THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS
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